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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 18th, 1905.

Doctors don't advertise, and the Hong-kong College of Medicine for Chinese makes no flourish of trumpets; but the "Calendar" for 1906 just received reminds us once more that we have in our midst an organisation which is attacking the learned ignorance of China at a vital spot. There is a good deal of exaggeration, perhaps, in the common stories about Chinese medicines; and the prescriptions that include toads' eyeballs, rhinoceros horn, crocodile skin, and the like, are no doubt confined to the ubiquitous quack and the inventor of fables. The Chinese are given credit for having used anaesthetics long before the Western world had recognised their value; and in some of their simpler remedies, the Chinese doctors share the successes of the "herb doctors" of English country places. Except for their admitted ignorance of human physiology, the Chinese medicine men and their patients suffer most from the little knowledge which is dangerous, plus the much superstition that is more so. If we were to argue from the standpoint that the proof of the pudding is in the eating of it, we might be justified in saying that, so far as wholesale results are concerned, the general condition of the race that is, the foreign doctors have little to brag about. But the stamina of the average Chinese, like the much-praised decadence of the European, is in spite of, not because of, medical practice. Greater knowledge in Europe has not overcome the tendency to self-indulgence, against which medical science pleads and fights in vain; while

in China it is the other way round: the non-practising, the messes and mashing of the medicine men, cannot work permanent harm to a race which is given to simple living and intured to hardship. There have been Chinese themselves who had some glimmering of true causes and effects, or else whence came the native saying that "medicine cures the man who is fated not to die"? China is, however, passing out of that phase which seems to have distinguished England a hundred and fifty years ago, when FLEMING described the surgeon as one went to prognosticate that if "the malign concoction of his patient's humours should cause a suscitation of the fever, he might soon grow delirious, or delirious, as the vulgar express it." The English were by no means barbarians in those days, yet they relied trustfully then and for some time after upon those students of GALEN and HIPPOCRATES who discoursed so seemingly learnedly of the "divelication of that radical small minute invisible nerve which coheres to the pericranium". When we scan this prospectus of the local faculty we realise China's great good fortune in being smothered, as the saying goes, to begin where we leave off. At the professional examinations last August, the Chinese students answered such questions as: "What are the conditions that necessitate the performance of (a) laryngotomy (b) tracheotomy? Briefly describe the etiology and the morphological characters of the micro-organism producing cholera." It is not improbable that there are in Hongkong well-educated foreigners who would find themselves at a loss to answer, without stopping to think, such a question as was put to the Chinese class in pathology. It was: "What is a squamous-celled epithelioma?" The cheapest of the text books recommended to these students is about the Reactions of Salts. In each subject, and these included biology, osteology, and nine or ten other abstrusities, every candidate is examined orally and practically. Although the few scholarships seem small, and the inducements by no means gaudy, apart from the unceasing glory that must surely attend each graduate, we notice that the present year has seen the addition of five licentiates to the roll of the college. In four or five years after the college was founded, the list began to grow, and we note that Hongkong is given as the place of residence of thirteen, while the rest are scattered abroad, in Japan, Penik, Penang, Selangor, Singapore, Malacca and Shanghai. If these young men have really learned all that their examiners have given them credit for, and there is no reason to doubt it, their influence must have a tremendous leavening effect in time.

Local sport will be found on page 5.

The French and English Mail of the 14th and 18th November was delivered in London on the 14th and 15th inst.

The Government Gazette announces that Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and New Year's Day have been proclaimed as public holidays.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. C. Rees to be secretary to the Squatter's Board.

On the occasion of their marriages Mr. I. Turner and Mr. S. Smith were each presented by the staff of the Kowloon Dock Company with a handsome tea and coffee service.

We are asked to draw the attention of subscribers to the St. George's Hall to the request made in our advertising columns to-day by Mr. Wadhouse, Secretary to the Invitation Committee.

Information has been received from the Military Authorities that the gun practices ordered to take place on Tuesday and Wednesday next, 19th and 20th instant, are postponed to a date to be notified later.

At the Sanitary Institute on Monday night the usual arithmetic class will be held, starting at 8.30 p.m. On Tuesday night Mr. T. L. Perkins will commence lecturing at 9 p.m. on "Building Materials."

The Governor has given his assent in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King to the Ordinance passed by the Legislative Council, the Ordinance to Amend the General Loan and Inscribed Stock Ordinance, 1893.

Notice to mariners is given that on and after the 1st January, 1906, a new storm signal code, using symbols instead of flags, will come into operation at the storm signal stations of the Imperial Maritime Customs at the following places:—Newchwang, Chinkiang, Pagoda Anchorage, Taku, Woosung, Amoy, Chefoo, and Gutzlaff. At Shanghai the Municipal Storm Signal Station will also use the new code. At this station and also at Woosung and Gutzlaff the special local weather signals, by means of flags, will be continued as before, but internal flags will be substituted for the Marryat's flags hitherto used.

TELEGRAMS.

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NEW ZEALANDERS BEATEN.

BY "GALLANT" LITTLE WALES.

LONDON, 16th December.

The New Zealand football team has met its first defeat playing against Wales. The score was three points to nothing.

FOREIGN UNDER-SECRETARY.

LONDON, 16th December.

Lord Edmond Fitzmaurice is the new Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

[He held the same position in 1882-85.]

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

RUSSIA.

LONDON, 14th December.

Two of the largest Russian tea firms in Moscow have failed.

The Governors of Russian Provinces where, hitherto, martial law has not been enforced, are now invested, practically, with dictatorial powers for three months.

15th December.

The Government buildings in Riga are burning and the inhabitants fleeing. The streets are barricaded. Martial law has been proclaimed, but is ineffective, owing to a lack of troops.

POLITICAL.

LONDON, 14th December.

The Unionist Free-Trade Traders have declined an alliance with the Liberals.

FRANCE, GERMANY AND THE MOROCCO QUESTION.

LONDON, 14th December.

A French Yellow Book on the recent Morocco question bears out the idea that the position in June was critical; when France was hesitating to agree to a conference, Prince Von Buelow in speaking to the French Ambassador deprecated any delay, and urged him not to linger on the edge of a precipice, if not on that of an abyss.

MARRIAGE OF EARL COWLEY AND LADY HARTOPP.

LONDON, 15th December.

Earl Cowley and Lady Hartopp have been married by special licence in Colombo.

NEW FRENCH LINE TO THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, 15th December.

The Chargeurs Reunis Co. is arranging for a new regular steamship line from London to Yokohama, via Havre, Buenos Aires and Valparaiso.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

LONDON, 15th December.

Prince von Buelow speaking in the Reichstag, reasserted at great length Germany's innocence of aggressive plans against Great Britain, and denied that Germany had ever been on the point of declaring war against Great Britain; the causes of the present crisis in the relations of the countries were a mystery and the stories of a violent collision between the Kaiser and King Edward idiotic lies; the prince bitterly attacked the Social Democrats, whose constant representations of Germany as a disturber of the peace had contributed to British mistrust.

JAPANESE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

LONDON, 15th December.

An order in Council includes Japan among countries admissible to the advantages of mutual medical practice.

THE BAZAAR OF TOYS.

Perhaps no better appreciation of the good work undertaken by the Catholic Union could be wished for than the large measure of public patronage accorded to the annual Bazaar of Toys held last night in the compound of the Roman Catholic Cathedral. As is pretty well known, this *à fresco* fête is designed to raise funds for the presentation of suitable gifts to the poor children of the colony on Christmas Day and also making donations to necessitous adults at the discretion of the committee. Enlisting in the work a large number of ladies and gentlemen as stall holders and appealing successfully for gifts and contributions, the Union were able to organise a very pretty bazaar scene. The principal stall was devoted to toys, while other devices for tickling the public fancy and raising money were ranged round the exterior of the church. The dusky musicians of the 119th Mooltan Regiment added their "reconnoisseurs of sweet sounds" to the concert of pleasing nationalities in the island seemed to participate. The tea stall, which was opened early in the afternoon, was a distinct success, and the people who attended in such numbers from nine to eleven o'clock were apparently delighted with the picturesque fête.

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN.

OPENING BY THE GOVERNOR.

An interesting event took place at Kowloon on Saturday afternoon when the new bowling greens and tennis courts just completed for the Kowloon Bowling Green Club were formally opened by His Excellency the Governor. As is well known, a re-arrangement of the greens was found necessary when a ground was allotted by the Government to the Kowloon Cricket Club. They were closed to allow the alterations to be carried out, and now the work has been finished there are two well-laid bowling greens, with a tennis court at each end, while a handsome pavilion overlooks all, in which comforts and conveniences can be secured by the members.

For Saturday's ceremony the ground was gaily decorated with bunting, and a large number of ladies and gentlemen attended to participate in the interesting proceedings. Among these was a contingent from the Kowloon Bowling Club, the Civil Service. The band of the 2nd West Kent was present and enhanced the pleasure of the afternoon by discoursing attractive selections. The Governor, who was accompanied by the Attorney-General, Sir Harry Berkeley, was met at the entrance in Austin Road by the president, Captain McIlroy, the secretary, Mr. A. R. Kinross, and Messrs. W. Ramsay and Mac Donald, and escorted to the tent, where the members of the committee were introduced to him. Then an adjournment was made to the bowling greens.

Captain McIlroy said—Your Excellency, as President of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club it is my pleasant duty to welcome you among us to-day. The event is an auspicious one in the brief annals of our Club, this being the third occasion on which the laws of the Club have been opened, each opening being marked by notable advancement and extension. The club first saw the light six years ago, and it is testimony to the good feeling which has prevailed in the ranks of its members that nearly all the original members who remain in the Colony are still with us. The Club has all along been entirely self-supporting and, with the generous recognition extended to us by your Excellency, by which we owe and all feel highly honoured, and for which we are truly grateful to your Excellency, the ground on which we are now assembled has within the past few years been transformed from a marshy waste to a scene of beauty. This improvement was first instituted by the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, and the Government, in the vigorous measures it has taken of late towards completing the King's Park, is doing all it can to complete a desirable memorial of the Coronation of our beloved sovereign (hear, hear), which will be appreciated by the residents of Kowloon for many generations to come. The Club provides in Kowloon a quiet spot for lovers of a quiet and not over strenuous recreation and that our lady friends have not been neglected is evidenced by a small addition to our club house, reserved specially for their use, and the addition of the tennis courts, which our new ground affords us space for. Without trespassing more on valuable time, I would now ask your Excellency to be so good as to throw the jack and declare the greens open for play (applause).

His Excellency was then handed a silver jack which he threw, and followed it by a bowl amid cries of "Good Shot." Another ceremony took place at the end of the court, when His Excellency played a set with Mrs. McIlroy, the wife of the president. On returning to the tent,

Captain McIlroy asked the Governor to accept a silver jack, suitably inscribed, and mounted on a blackwood stand, as a souvenir of the occasion.

His Excellency said—I accept with deepest thanks this pretty souvenir of this pleasant occasion. It gave me particular satisfaction to accept the invitation of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club to be present this afternoon and open their new greens, because it seemed to me that the Club had behaved in a very sportsmanlike way in the manner they met the Government's wishes with regard to the Kowloon Cricket Club. We were approached some time ago by the Cricket Club for a site in the King's Park, but there was a difficulty in doing so, as the bowling greens prevented a cricket ground being made here of sufficient size to be useful. I then suggested to the Bowling Green Club that they should come to an arrangement with the Cricket Club by which a good cricket ground could be made and the bowling greens preserved at the same time. The Club met our wishes in the matter, with the result that the bowling greens have been shifted and the cricket ground has been formed. I thought their conduct was sportsmanlike (hear, hear). I hope they have not lost thereby. I don't think they have. They have now 1,700 more square feet than before and we helped them to fill it a little. They have got two excellent bowling greens and two new tennis courts. I have nothing more to say but congratulate you on your greens, which are prettily laid out and situated in a central position. In what, if not already, will be the most important part of the colony, Kowloon (applause). I don't think the railway will disturb you much. There will be a certain amount of whistling all round. I have to go to Teipe in order to see the surveying with regard to that same railway, and I thank you again for this pretty souvenir of my visit to the greens this afternoon. And now I formally declare the greens to be opened (applause).

In the tent Mr. W. Ramsay proposed the health of the Governor, to which His Excellency replied.

Sir Harry Berkeley proposed "prosperity to the Kowloon Bowling Green Club." They had heard, he said, from His Excellency how the Club had co-operated with the Government and by that co-operation secured an advantage of additional ground. The club was sure to prosper, and one advantage was that many of its members joined the Volunteer Reserve Association (laughter and applause). He had already recruited six that afternoon, and that was the best possible indication of its hope for the future (applause).

The Governor then presented the prizes won during the season as follows. President's prize—1, Mr. J. Gault; 2, Mr. J. M. Henderson. Vice-president's prize—1, Mr. G. H. Edwards; 2, Mr. G. R. Haxton. Championship prize—1, Mr. J. P. Gault; 2, Mr. G. R. Haxton.

His Excellency afterwards made, on behalf of the Club, a presentation to Mr. Kinross, the secretary, in recognition of his valuable services in getting the new greens made.

The gift took the form of a silver kettle. Mr. Kinross acknowledged the gift and said that what he had done for the club he was prepared to do again. He had done his best. There had been a lot of work in forming the greens, but if the members were satisfied he was more than repaid for what he had done (applause).

Tea was dispensed by the ladies and a few rinks played on the new green, but the pleasure unfortunately was marred by the rain. However, the ceremony of the afternoon was all that could have been desired, and the members were pleased at its success. The ladies were thanked for their services, on the call of Mr. Jack.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

15th December.

LINCHOW AFFAIR: A CONTEMPTIBLE WITNESS. Wai Tsung-yao has caused a man named Lam-Hi to be arrested and brought down to Canton for trial. It appears that prisoner is a Chinese lawyer who meddles in all sorts of shady businesses and is a notorious bad character. When the Commission arrived he sent a petition to the American Consul-General in which he stated that the massacre originated through the Boycott and denounced several good people against whom he had a grudge, as having participated in the affair. He advised the Consul-General not to sign the report of the investigation. Wai Tsung-yao finding that the accusations were false, telegraphed the matter to Viceroy Shum who issued orders for Lam-Hi's arrest on the 7th inst.

CANTON-MACAO RAILWAY.

When the concession for this line was granted, it was agreed between the Portuguese and Chinese Governments that each side would contribute \$2,000,000 towards the capital required for the construction of the line. The Chinese director, Lam Tak-Yuen, has already in hand \$2,000,000 but the Portuguese have so far raised nothing. Lam petitioned Shun Shun Wy some months ago requesting him to urge the Portuguese Minister in Peking to move in the matter. Nothing having been done since, Sheng has now memorialized the Wai Wu-Pu advising the concession to be cancelled. The Portuguese Director is said to have left for Portugal to try and raise the capital.

OUR FUNNY NEIGHBOURS.

On the 12th inst. while the young cadets from the torpedo-boats were going through a course of drill exercises on the parade ground a collision occurred between them and a Manchus soldier who stood on the parade ground and refused to move on. In the scuffle that ensued the Manchus was hit on the nose which started to bleed. The warrior cried "save life" and in a few seconds all the Manchus and Bannermen in the neighbourhood came to his assistance and drove the cadets and their instructors away from the ground after a free fight. The matter has been settled by compensating the "wounded" and a guard has now been placed at the gates to prevent any spectators from trespassing on the drill grounds.

16th December.

CHAU TUNG SANG'S AFFAIRS.

Chau Kai Tsang, who was recently deputed by the Sin-Han-Kuk, to report on the value of the different properties seized, has now sent in the valuation list. Chau-Tung-Sang's private home has been valued at 100,000 taels, and Chau-Ti-Son's new and old residences respectively at 25,000 and 20,000 taels. The report includes the valuation of over a hundred houses which were owned by Chau Tung Sang, Tsi Sai or Fu-Ka-Tai. The deputy is now preparing a report for the properties seized in the Pan-Yu district.

THE BOYCOTT: EXTRAORDINARY LETTER.

The Boycott Union here has informed the public that the nine representatives who were sent to Hongkong to aid the Hongkong Committee to draft a suitable reply to the American Merchants, had exceeded their powers and that the twelve clauses of their reply were not in accord with the resolutions passed at a previous meeting here. The Boycott Union here has received telegrams and letters from the various in the different ports informing them that they did not approve of the reply and that they took no notice of what had been done without their approval. An extraordinary meeting has been called for the 17th inst. to discuss the situation.

The following letter was received by the Union a few days ago—

"To the gentlemen members of the principal Boycott union, for their information, I (humble slave), though without influence or power, have

subscribed towards the funds of the Boycott a sum of over \$6,000 collected by myself in aid of the union. I have acquired nothing nor deserve any merit. What I have done was for the good of the people. The difficult task was at the point of being accomplished when suddenly our aims were defeated. Your respectable union sent representatives to Hongkong to consult with the Hongkong Committee and submit a reply to the proposals of the American merchants. I observe that this has been published in all the newspapers, the names of all the representatives being given. Twelve conditions have been submitted which bring ruin and defeat to ourselves. The reading of them causes one's hair to stand erect on our heads, and our eyes come out of their sockets. I now ask you all what were the original intentions of the Boycott Committee. Your reply would be that it was to prevent the Americans from ill-treating and excluding Chinese labourers from their country. In nearly all of the conditions you leave out the labour question, this is not in accord with the intentions of the Boycott Union. Shame! Shame! What you have done is to shut out all Chinese labourers as if you had nothing to do with that question. You even seem to have helped the Americans to exclude and provide ill-treatment for the labourers. You have collected tens of thousands of dollars subscribed by the Chinese people who re-elected their fellow countrymen being ill-treated by Americans, and the Union was got up to support their case. You have abandoned the battle-field and have turned your backs against you countrymen; you have acted like traitors. This is very improper conduct and I have no sympathy for you. Who is the President? where is the Committee and what are you doing? Every arrow is now pointed towards you. If you value your lives take the hint (Signed)—One of the numerous Chinese subjects residing in Hongkong."

Numerous letters similar to the above have been sent here from various ports.

The Boycott committee here received the following telegram from San Francisco. "The representatives sent to Hongkong to join the local committee in drafting the twelve conditions are not good nor perfect. We know you people did not go to Hongkong and that you had no hand in the drawing up of the reply. We hope you will strictly maintain the Boycott. We will hold a meeting regarding the establishment of a large arts and manufacture shop as soon as we are in possession of the conditions and regulations."

POLICE COURT.

Saturday, 16th December.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (First Police Magistrate).

BLUEJACKETS QUARREL.

Two bluejackets from the U. S. man-of-war Wisconsin were charged with having assaulted a marine from H.M.S. *Hogue*. Apparently a disturbance had taken place in the New Travellers' Hotel on the 12th inst. in the course of which the marine was hit on the head with a chair and was removed in an unconscious condition to the Government Civil Hospital. Several witnesses were not able to state very clearly who had struck the blow, but his Warrant, who had Consul Bragg and an officer from the *Hogue* with him, considered the second defendant had committed the assault under provocation and fined him \$5. The other man was discharged.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (Acting Second Police Magistrate).

A WEAK EXCUSE.

Two junks were committed to prison for 14 days for assaulting P.C. Berry in the execution of his duty at Yau-mai. The defendants laboured him as he was boarding their junk, and pleaded in excuse that they took him for a robber. As he was in uniform at the time, this explanation was not very satisfactory.

Field manoeuvres, which passed off very satisfactorily, took place in the New Territory on Saturday. A battery of Royal Artillery, a company of Royal Engineers, one and a half battalions of infantry, and a number of Volunteers participated in the operations which were of a very interesting nature and were watched by a considerable number of spectators. Field firing was the principal feature and it was to be regretted that various causes militated against a larger attendance of Volunteers.

The following have been chosen to play for the Hongkong Football Club versus R. G. F., at Happy Valley, to-day (Monday) at 5 p.m. Goal—Dr. F. H. Kow. Backs—E. F. Awoot and G. E. Morrell. Half Backs—H. C. Gray, J. Mitchell and E. Humphreys. Forwards—W. H. Williams, E. C. Hall, W. E. Leckie, A. Morley and J. Mead.

It is notified that His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances—Ordinance No. 6 of 1905, entitled—An Ordinance further to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897. Ordinance No. 7 of 1905, entitled—An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1945. Ordinance No. 9 of 1905, entitled—An Ordinance to amend the New Territories Land Ordinance 1905. Ordinance No. 10 of 1905, entitled—An Ordinance relating to the Maintenance of Married Women deserted by their Husbands.

HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

A "parliamentary election" in Hongkong is a disappointing affair. No flaming posters adorn the walls; no fervid speeches are daily made from the hustings to catch the votes of electors; no colours are worn by the contending parties; and—well, any transient visitor from a vessel calling in at the port would scarcely suspect that we are now in the throes of an election—the election by the Justices of the Peace of an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council. The franchise is a limited one—a very limited one, seeing that the voters number only about 100 out of a population of 350,000—but Crown Colonies have to be thankful for small mercies in the way of representative government. However, though the franchise is narrowly limited, the interest in the event is more widely felt, even though the casual visitor to Hongkong may deem it obscurely manifested, and one of the Great Unprivileged inquires what special qualifications the elect of the Justices of the Peace is required or expected to possess in distinction to the qualifications of the Member for the Chamber of Commerce. I regret my inability to answer the question by a direct reference to any official paper, and have pleasure in passing the question on to the candidates, who probably know and will be glad to answer it with all the eloquence they can command. One has no difficulty in divining what are the qualifications for representing the Chamber of Commerce in the Council, but whether there was any clearly defined intention that the member representing the Justices of the Peace should especially represent any other than the commercial interests we might only learn from the unpublished dispatch by Sir George Bowen in which he recommended this electoral scheme to the Imperial authorities, about the year 1883. Presumably there was some such intention, though all Unofficial Members of the Council, having the welfare of the Colony at heart, must recognise the importance of giving their utmost support to any proposal which aims at conserving and promoting our commercial interests. Nor must one forget that the position of an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council is a trust for the community as a whole and not a vantage ground for protecting particular trade or class interests. Three excellent candidates are contesting the election. My choice would be—but where are our "programmes"? Must we vote for men or for principles and policies? We know they are all honourable men, and probably the prevailing sentiment among the great body of non-electors will be *Palmam qui meruit, ferat*. The voting is by ballot, and the votes have to be counted in the presence of all the Justices who attend the meeting convened by the senior magistrate.

Whenever an election of an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council takes place the automaton character of the Official Members always comes in for remark. They do not speak and vote as they please—or rather in the way the community would like to see them speak and vote. "The Governor pulls the strings and the figures move accordingly." That is the light in which Official Members of the Legislative Councils in all Crown Colonies are regarded. The community of Hongkong, by petition to the House of Commons on one occasion, prayed that the Official Members should be allowed to speak and vote as they pleased, and the reply came back from Lord Ripon, the Colonial Secretary of the day, in these terms:—

"It is a demand which is familiar in the case of Crown Colonies, but only one answer can be given to it, viz., that the paid servants of the Government cannot be left free to express the Government. I should be surprised to learn that the Officials themselves wished to be given this freedom."

I can only recall one occasion on which an official has voted against the Government. That was possibly due to a mistake, though, as the member was new to the position, he may have voted conscientiously and in ignorance of what was expected of him in the way of loyalty to the Government.

Another event to which many are now beginning to look forward is the Annual Race Meeting. The griffins from Shanghai are arriving later this year than usual owing to the difficulty of obtaining suitable animals in the north, doubtless a result of the war. Fifty have been ordered from Shanghai, and 13 only have arrived, but a further batch is coming on the *Xuanyang* which is expected to arrive to-day. The first batch to arrive appears on the whole to be a very satisfactory lot. Every morning before breakfast owners and riders are to be seen on the track, and we may now regard the training season as commenced.

One of these days somebody, I hope, will be inspired to write an addendum to the "Tales of the China Coast," giving us a book of delectable yarns which might be entitled "Tales of China Skippers." One was told me the other day which might find a place in such a collection. A popular skipper who has recently returned from Home relates how fascinated he was by the stories now-a-days heard in certain circles about the luxury of workhouse life in England, and thinking, maybe, that some day he might need a quiet, luxuriously comfortable and inexpensive retreat in the "old country," resolved to have a little anticipatory experience of life in a "People's Palace." Not being old and indigent, an application to the Guardians for admission to "the House" was out of the question, but the able-bodied, if destitute, have no difficulty in getting into the casual ward. Our skipper, and a friend, having resolved to make the experiment, attired themselves in garb suitable to the destitute character of the out-of-work British workman, presented themselves at the portals of a casual ward and were duly admitted.

One of the first comforts of the institution to which they were introduced was the bath! No doubt, the warder remarked that they were clean-looking specimens of the British tramp, but that possibly only confirmed the warder in his preconceived opinion that they were professional tramps, who would, in the ordinary course of things, get a bath every day, though each day in a different workhouse. After a plain, wholesome meal, with no whiskey and cigars to follow, came the order to "turn in" for the night. While the sleeping accommodation was not so comfortable as a captain's cabin on a China coaster, the ablutions of these parts would describe it as "can do," and tired tramps might be expected to sleep as soundly as the average Chinese coolie will sleep on a stone wall. The most amusing part of the tale comes after the breakfast, full and satisfying, but not appetising to men of epicurean tastes. Every casual has to cover the expenses of his night's lodging and breakfast by performing a "task" before he is allowed to leave, and the task is usually to pick a certain quantity of oakum or break a certain quantity of stone. "Picking oakum" is the task in most casual wards, and our skipper reckoned he could do that like a shot. But in the particular ward he had selected to enter stone-breaking was the allotted task, and the job well-nigh broke the skipper's heart. His friend knew something about the stratification of stone and managed to complete his task and get quit of the establishment by eleven o'clock; but the skipper had had no experience of stone-breaking, and it took him some time to acquire the knack. It was four o'clock before the task was completed, and as the regulations allow only one meal a day to be given to a casual, the furnished skipper on the completion of his arduous task took his discharge with a sense of great relief and has come back to China, his hands still sore from the use of the hammer, and his mind thoroughly made up that the luxury of workhouse life in England will not appeal to him should the stress of competition ever put him on his beam ends.

The rain which fell on Friday night was very welcome, for the notices published by the Water Authority recently have warned us that the reservoirs are getting low. We have had much less rain this year than usual. For the last three years the rainfall has averaged 90 inches, but to end of November this year only about 63 inches had fallen. Dr. Clark, the Medical Officer of Health, in his last report pointed out that the rainfall records of the last twenty years indicate a progressive change in our climatic conditions. From 1885 to the end of 1894 the average yearly rainfall was 95.19 inches; in the succeeding two years the average was only 74.84 inches. These figures have an important bearing on the water storage accommodation question.

This day week is Christmas Day when Christendom and his wife does the bidding of the poet who says:—

For Christmas comes but once a year.

Never have I seen the shops of Hongkong so prettily decorated with all that goes to "make good cheer," especially for the younger members of the community, who must now be dreaming nightly of the coming of Santa Claus. And we are actually to have a Christmas Pantomime. The Zorrilla Comedy Company, who are now returning here from Shanghai, announce that they will re-open tomorrow in St. George's Hall with "Sindbad the Sailor." I would like to suggest to the management the advisability of arranging for a Matinee performance, or numbers of children would miss what to them would be a treat to be long-remembered.

BANYAN.

CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE CO.

The 39th ordinary meeting of the shareholders of the China Traders Insurance Company, Ltd., was held at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, on Saturday at noon. Mr. A. Haupt, chairman of directors, presided and there were also present Messrs. E. Goetz, A. R. Linton, C. R. Lenzen (directors), W. Parlane, Ho Fook, G. Orange, G. D. Champagneux, J. R. Michael, P. P. Hett, O. A. De Cruz, with the secretary, Mr. James Whittall.

The Secretary having read the notice calling the meeting,

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen—Before submitting my remarks on the business especially before the meeting, I desire to refer to the loss, by death, since we last met, of a very old and valued servant of this company—our late secretary, Mr. W. H. Ray—whose decease occurred on the 22nd August last. Mr. Ray lived but only a short span after his enforced retirement, and I am sure that you will desire to join with your directors in again formally expressing our deep sense of the loss of one who served us so well and so faithfully for so many years. The report and statement of accounts which we to-day present for your adoption—and which, with your permission, I will take as read—do not, I am sorry to say, realise our hopes of a year ago, but our chairman, on a recent occasion of our meeting together, fore-shadowed this, and you will, therefore, have been somewhat prepared for this expression of disappointment. As then intimated, however, the results of the past year's working are primarily due to the quite exceptional experiences caused by the Russo-Japanese war, now happily at an end, and through which we, in common with most other marine insurance companies, have temporarily suffered. It is true that the abnormal increases in both our premium income and loss settlements are due to the acceptance of war risks, and it might be

inferred, therefore, that that particular class of business had not dealt kindly with us. In the sense that it has not been very satisfactory, that is so, but I am glad to be able to say that if we succeed in recovering the substantial refunds in respect of payments made, which we hope to recover on such risks as the *Knight Commander, Hipsang, St. Kilda*, and various others, our ventures in this particular direction will not, so far as the year's operations under review are concerned, result in any material loss, and it is even quite possible that our war risk business, covering the whole period of the war, may yet result in a profit. It is more to our general and ordinary business that we must look for the falling off, for whilst on the one hand the disorganisation of trade owing to the war is accountable for a substantial decrease in our normal takings, I am sorry to say a corresponding decrease in our normal claim settlements is not so apparent. In all the circumstances I think we may congratulate ourselves that we are able to maintain our dividend and bonus on last year's basis—as your Disposition think we quite safely can do—to know that although the amount left to be carried to suspense appears small, yet with that addition we still have a suspense fund more than ample to meet our known outstanding liabilities; and that if we are only moderately fortunate in our ultimate recoveries in respect of war risks, the former position of our liquid reserves is likely to be completely reinstated. The accounts themselves are otherwise, I think, self-explanatory. Messrs. Palmer & Turner have as usual reported on the properties under mortgage to the company, and their valuations show ample margins of security. I take this opportunity of referring to a matter in which you will naturally be interested. In response to our circular of the 10th October last, the votes of our shareholders on the recent offer made to them by the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., have, as returned, proved sufficiently satisfactory to the Society for them to claim fulfilment of the undertaking entered into by our assenting shareholders, and, subject only to their shareholders now giving their sanction to the necessary increase of capital, the arrangement will be duly completed. In the mean time it has been agreed between us on approximate estimates made, that the ratio for the exchange of shares on the intrinsic values of the shares of the respective companies to be taken as at the 31st December next, shall be fixed at the "convenient round figure" of ten of the Company's shares for one of the Society's shares. No provision has been made for the Society to receive back any balance in cash in the event of the approximate estimates proving to have been too much in favour of the China Traders' shareholders, and it was necessary, therefore, that there should be left a margin of safety in favour of the Society. In addition, however, to the exchange of scrip, certificates will be issued by the Society to the Company's assenting shareholders, entitling them or their assignees to any cash balance that may eventually be ascertained to be due to them, together with simple interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum. These certificates, which it is intended to make transferable by endorsement in order to make them readily salable, are to be redeemable as soon as practicable after the 31st December, 1908, by which time it is considered that the accounts of the respective companies as to the 31st December next will have run off, or if not, any outstanding liabilities can without difficulty be estimated. For the purpose of ascertaining the final intrinsic value, it has also been agreed that the total net assets of the respective companies as at the 31st December next shall be valued at the rates of exchange of that date, and that all subsequent payments made, and recoveries received, in respect of 1905 and previous years, shall be reckoned at current rates of exchange. The balance as thus estimated is in each case to be considered the final intrinsic value. We understand that it is the intention of the Society to repeat its former offer, not only to those of our shareholders who have so far not replied, but also to those who have declined. A further agreement has been previously entered into and will, in due course, be ratified, in respect of a working arrangement between the two companies, which we hope and believe will prove to be beneficial to the shareholders, and also to the constituents, of both companies. I think I have now dealt with all points calling for comment, but before formally moving the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be glad to give, so far as I can, any further information that may be desired.

The CHAIRMAN—There being no questions asked, I beg to propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be adopted.

Mr. ORANGE seconded, and the motion was carried *unanimously*.

On the proposition of Mr. PARLANE, seconded by Mr. HO FOOK, the appointment of Messrs. A. R. Linton and C. R. Lenzen as directors was confirmed.

Messrs. Lenzman and Haupt, the retiring directors, were re-elected on the motion of Mr. CHAMPEAUX, seconded by Mr. MICHAEL.

Mr. HETT proposed, and Mr. PARLANE seconded, the re-election of Messrs. T. Arnold and H. U. Jeffries as auditors. This was carried *unanimously*.

The CHAIRMAN—Gentlemen, that is all the business. I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday morning on application.

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V.R.C. REGATTA.

It was unfortunate that the day appointed for the holding of the V.R.C. regatta should have broken so unpromising. This popular event has always been looked forward to by the sports-loving public of Hongkong, and although the ominous clouds which scoured the sky on Saturday, no doubt, had the effect of keeping many at home, still there was a fairly large attendance. The events were all keenly contested, and through the efforts of an energetic committee, were kept well up to time: perhaps the most interesting of these was the International Challenge Cup, for the honour of retaining which for one year, English and German teams competed. The Germans have now held this cup for three years, and their victory on Saturday entitles them to hold it for still another year. Notwithstanding the advantages they had, however, in a newer and more up-to-date boat, they were pressed hard throughout the mile. It was in the final sprint that they had the advantage, and they shot past the judge's launch with a length and a half to spare. The flagship was the s.s. *Lucia Vittoria*, which had been kindly lent by Messrs. Munro and Co. She was moored east of Stonecutters' Island, and the course was from a starting line north of the vessel. The band of H.M.S. *Diadem* rendered a number of excellent musical selections during the afternoon. The officials were as under:—

President: His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G.; Vice-President: His Excellency Major-General Villiers Hatton, C.B.; Committee: Mr. Arthur Chapman, Chairman, Messrs. W. Armstrong, W. A. Crake, G. A. Caldwell, C. H. Grace, E. M. Hazeland, T. C. Gray, T. Meek, E. W. Mitchell, A. Rodger; Judges: Messrs. A. Rodger and E. W. Mitchell; Starter: Mr. W. H. Potts; Umpires: Mr. C. H. Grace, Mr. H. P. White, and Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart; Time-keeper: Mr. T. Meek; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. S. A. Seth; Hon. Sec., Mr. Frank Lamont.

The following were the results:—

CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE CUP.—For four-oars. Cup to be held by the winning crew for one year, but to remain the property of the Club. Distance, one mile. Entrance, \$10.00. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Rosa.—Bow, O. R. Chunyet, J. M. Rosa Pereira, A. V. Barros; Stroke, J. A. S. Alves; Cox, W. J. Carroll.

Shamrock.—Bow, J. Cruickshank, J. F. Egan da Silva, F. M. Rosa Pereira; Stroke, H. Rapp; Cox, F. Lamont.

Kornblume.—Bow, A. H. Carroll, J. J. Watson, H. S. Holmes; Stroke, L. A. Musso; Cox, R. W. Pearson.

Rosa 1
Kornblume 2
Shamrock 3

The crews got a good start, and for a time the boats kept well together. Alves' crew then gradually drew into the first position, while Musso's following hard in their wake, while Rapp's fell a little to the rear. Alves maintained his lead, and although hard pressed by Musso, succeeded in passing the winning post some three quarters of a length ahead. Time—7 min. 1 sec.

INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP.—Open. For four-oars. Cup presented by the late J. S. Lepski, Esq., to be held by the winning crew for one year, but to remain the property of the Club. (Prize presented by the Hongkong Club). Distance, one mile. Entrance, \$10.00. To be rowed in boats the property of the competing Club or Unit.

German.—Bow A. Berblinger, F. Orloff, C. König, Stroke W. O. Köhler, Cox B. Sieb, English.—Bow F. A. Biden, J. Witthell, H. W. Lester, Stroke G. G. Franklin, Cox G. A. Caldwell.

German 1
English 2

The competitors got a good start, but almost immediately the lighter craft of the German crew shot to the front. When about half the course was covered they were something like three lengths in the lead, but at this stage the English crew rowed well, and soon lessened the distance which separated them. The boat's then ran side by side until near the winning post, when the German's craft shot ahead and ran in a length and a half ahead of the English. Time—6 min. 43 sec.

TUB SCULLING.—(Tub Sculling Boats). Distance, Half Mile. Entrance, \$2.00. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

The starters were.—E. G. Jordan, F. M. de Cruz, A. H. Carroll and W. J. Carroll.

A. H. Carroll won this race by about three lengths, but Jordan entered a protest, stating that the winner had crossed his bows. The protest was upheld, and the committee decided that the race should be rowed again.

MEN-OF-WAR'S GIGS AND WHALERS.—Distance, one mile. Entrance \$1.00. Four boats must start for two prizes. 1st Prize, \$15.00; 2nd Prize, \$5.00. Service boats and conditions. (Post Entries).

Alacrity 1
Diadem 2

This was an excellent race, the six boats which started keeping well together throughout, and finishing up in close array at the winning post, the *Alacrity* only beating the *Diadem* by three-quarters of a length.

INTER-CLUB FOURS.—Prize presented by the members of the Club Germania. For Four Oars. Distance, one mile. Entrance, \$10.00. To be rowed in boats the property of the competing club or unit. Open to members who have not competed in the Inter-Club Fours at the Canton Regatta, 1905.

R.H.K.Y.C.—Bow H. W. Lester, C. König, F. Orloff, Stroke A. Berblinger, Cox G. A. Caldwell.

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V.R.C.—Bow J. A. S. Alves, J. H. R. Hance, C. E. H. Hance, Stroke L. A. Musso, Cox S. W. Pearson.

V.R.C. 1
R.H.K.Y.C. 2

The V.R.C. team took the lead at the start and despite the efforts of the Yacht Club to overtake them, maintained it, winning by three lengths. Time 6 min. 40 sec.

MEN-OF-WAR'S CUTTERS.—Distance, one mile. Four boats must start for two prizes. Entrance, \$1. First prize, \$25; second, \$10. Service boats and conditions. (Post entries.)

Home 1
Sudley 2

Three cutters started in this race, and there was little betwixt the teams throughout. The *Home* got home first, closely followed by the *Sudley*.

THE PARSIE CUP.—Presented by the Parsie community of Hongkong. For four oars. Distance, one mile. Entrance, \$10. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Kornblume.—Bow, J. Cruickshank, J. F. Egan da Silva, A. V. Barros; Stroke, L. A. Musso; Cox, R. W. Pearson.

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Shamrock.—Bow, A. J. V. Ribeiro, J. J. Watson, H. S. Holmes; Stroke, J. A. S. Alves; Cox, W. J. Carroll.

Kornblume 1
Rosa 2

This was one of the best races of the day, and Musso's team deserved their win. A good start was witnessed, and half the course was covered before the teams began to separate. Then Musso pulled to the front, Rapp taken up the second position, with Alves a good third. Thus they passed the judge's stand, there being little to spare between them. Time—7 min. 2 sec.

DOUBLE SCULLS.—Open to members of the Canton Rowing Club, Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and Victoria Recreation Club. Distance, one mile. Entrance \$5.00.

V.R.C.—Bow, J. H. R. Hance, Stroke, J. Mitchell; Cox E. Humphreys.

R.H.K.Y.C.—Bow, G. Franklin; Stroke, W. O. Köhler; Cox, G. A. Caldwell.

R.H.K.Y.C. 1
V.R.C. 2

The Yacht Club's men took the lead at the start, and maintained it throughout the race, winning by about five lengths.

YACHTING.—Race for the one-design class of Hongkong Corinthian Yacht Club for a silver cup presented by the *China Mail*; 2nd prize presented. Five boats to start and finish or no race.

The *Nina, Gael, Asthore, Cam, Hibernia* and *Tudor* started in this race, the *Asthore* being the first to return. As all the yachts did not finish, however, the race will have to be re-sailed.

At the conclusion of the events Mr. E. W. Mitchell called upon the Commodore's wife, Mrs. H. P. Williams, to present the prizes. He said it was very kind of her to attend, and he was sure the competitors would appreciate her kindness as much as he did.

The prizes having been distributed, three cheers were given for Mrs. Williams, three more for Mr. Mitchell, and still another three for the V.R.C.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Heinrich* left Shanghai on Saturday at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on Monday evening at 5 p.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Chieftain*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 21st November, left Singapore on Friday at 1 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 19th instant at 6 p.m.

The str. *Rubi* left Manila on Saturday, the 16th inst. at 11 a.m., and is due here to-day at 4 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

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P. J. WOODHOUSE,
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1905. [2832]

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. GENERAL MANAGERS for Hongkong for the above Society, in the place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON, General Manager for the East.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2573]

OCEAN ACCIDENT AND GUARANTEE CORPORATION, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: MOORGATE STREET, LONDON

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. AGENTS for the above Corporation, in place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON, Manager for the East.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2574]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1905. [2638]

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Hongkong, 20th September 1905. [2165]

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A LARGE AND COMMODIOUS RESIDENCE standing in its own grounds, with Tennis Courts, Good Dining and Reception Rooms, Large Airy and Well-Furnished Bedrooms, every home comfort. Fine View of the Harbour. Terms moderate.

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Hongkong, 27th June, 1905. [1535]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 18th December, 1905, at 11 a.m., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street.

10 bales BOOK PAPER.
7 cases LINEN HAND-MADE PAPER.
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5 bales TISSUE PAPER.
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TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1905. [2834]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 18th and 19th December, 1905, at 10 a.m. each day, at H. M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDAY, NATAL, VICTUALLING, OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED STORES.

Comprising:—
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TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary. HUGHES & HUGHES, Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2802]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Society No. 1, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of December, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon when the subject resolution will be proposed:—

"That the Capital of the Society be increased to \$3,000,000 by the creation of 2,400 additional ordinary shares of \$250 each (whereof \$100 shall be credited as paid-up ranking for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing ordinary shares of the Society; and that the said additional shares, so far as shall be necessary for the purpose, be issued to the shareholders of the CHINA TRADING INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., who have accepted or shall accept the Society's offer made to them on the 25th August, 1905, such issue being in accordance with the terms of a contract or memorandum in writing made or to be made pursuant to the said offer and to be filed with the Registrar of Companies; and that the balance, if any, of the said additional shares be disposed of by the Board in such manner as it shall think most beneficial to the Society."

Should a resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution to a second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 7th day of December, 1905.

By Order of the Board.

W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undermentioned CERTIFICATES Nos. N.S. 1637 to 1639 dated Shanghai 17th July 1905 for FOUR HUNDRED AND THREE SHARES of this Bank registered at the SHANGHAI BRANCH in the name of TONG SHOU PANG (now deceased) have been LOST and should these certificates not be produced before the 29th day of December, 1905, NEW CERTIFICATE S for the Shares will be issued by the SHANGHAI BRANCH and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. N.S. 1637 to 1639 will be thereupon treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

No. N.S. 1637 for 50 Shares numbered 49728/37, 32582/91, 25040/12, 69863/69, 15261 and 4038/426.
No. N.S. 1638 for 50 Shares numbered 38856/75, 68003/17, 69383/92 and 6911/18.
No. N.S. 1639 for 40 Shares numbered 8535/49, 6546/50, 25872/86 and 69239/97.
No. N.S. 1639 for 50 Shares numbered 52936/82 and 25852/84.
No. N.S. 1637 for 25 Shares numbered 37075/99.
No. N.S. 1638 for 25 Shares numbered 47623/27, 10929/47 and 22006/15.
No. N.S. 1639 for 25 Shares numbered 47012/11, 10348/52 and 65670/88.
No. N.S. 1639 for 25 Shares numbered 119521/45.
No. N.S. 1639 for 25 Shares numbered 19631/40 and 7581/95.
No. N.S. 1637 for 35 Shares numbered 21637/43, 29599/604, 69516/23, 66476/93 and 69222/21.
No. N.S. 1639 for 25 Shares numbered 52359/42, 53409/18 and 22474/83.
No. N.S. 1639 for 25 Shares numbered 65533, 47893/71, 40039/32, 19311/307, 30733/37, 65757/58, 67439/91, 68100 and 69412.

403 Shares.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. [2693]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CERTIFICATE No. N.S. 4731 dated Hongkong 31st October, 1903, for FOUR SHARES of this Bank numbered 28577/28580 registered in the name of EDWARD HAROLD LOW of Amoy (now deceased) has been LOST and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before 13th January, 1906, a NEW CERTIFICATE for the Shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificate No. N.S. 4731 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1905. [2813]

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"TANG YUEN" No. 18, MACDONNELL ROAD, containing 18 Rooms and Bath Rooms; a well laid out Garden and Lawn. Full View of Harbour. Lately occupied as a First-Class Hotel. Part or whole of premises can be let.

Apply to—
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No. 81, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 12th July, 1905. [1653]

TO LET.

TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st December, 1905. Moderate Rentals.

Apply to—
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. [2261]

TO LET.

NO. 42, ELGIN STREET.
Apply to—
SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2301]

TO LET.

TWO LARGE OFFICES on the First Floor of No. 34, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Post Office. Possession on or after the 10th December, 1905.

Apply to—
WONG CHEE SANG,
Care of YEE SANG PAT & CO.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. [2591]

TO LET.

ONE ROOM suitable for Office and One Strong Room. Lately occupied by the Taiwan Bank. Rent Moderate.

Apply to—
KANG LEE & CO.,
4, Queen's Road Central,
(Opposite Connaught Hotel).
Hongkong, 13th December, 1905. [2809]

TO LET OR FOR SALE.

DUNHEVED 33, Robinson Road.
Apply to—
HO U. MING,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 17th June, 1905. [953]

TO LET.

SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late P. Blackhead & Co. and Shewan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately or en masse.

Apply to—
CHUNG SHUN KOO,
First Floor, No. 10, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1905. [192]

TO LET.

NO. 11, GAGE STREET, Eight Rooms, from 1st June, 1906.

Apply to—
E. A. DE CARVALHO,
14, Arbuthnot Road.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1905. [119]

TO LET.

SUITABLE for Office, ONE ROOM in Prince's Building.
Apply to—
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [195]

TO LET.

"THE EYRIE," Peak.
1, DES VŒUX VILLAS, Peak.
Nos. 5, 6 & 21, BRILLIANT TERRACE.
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Apply to—
Linstead & Davis,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,
Hongkong, 5th December, 1905. [1938]

TO LET.

NO. 74, CAINE ROAD.
No. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD.
Apply to—
COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1905. [84]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
No. 5, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.
No. 17, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.

OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE FISH).
A BUILDING at Causeway Bay, formerly in occupation of the Steam Laundry Co., Ltd. HOUSES in MORRISON TERRACE.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 4th December, 1905. [181]

TO LET.

NOS. 2, 5, 6, BARROW TERRACE, KOWLOON.
THREE NEW HOUSES, CASTLE ROAD, HONGKONG.

Apply to—
SAM WANG CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 12th July, 1905. [1234]

TO LET.

NO. 15, KNOTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.
No. 10, KNOTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. [2669]

TO LET.

THE First-floor of YORK BUILDINGS (Opposite Messrs. GAUFF & Co.) For Offices.
Apply—
KELLY & WALSH, LD.
Hongkong, 4th September, 1905. [2051]

TO LET

TO LET.

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables entrances in both Kennedy and Macdonnell Roads.
For full particulars, apply to—
Linstead & Davis,
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [47]

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES on Pedder's Hill. Immediate possession.
SPACIOUS GODOWNS, formerly known as McGregor Barracks, fronting the Praya. SECOND FLOOR of No. 6, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, formerly occupied by the Standard Oil Co. of New York.

SECOND FLOOR of VICTORIA BUILDING, formerly occupied by Meyer & Co.
Apply to—
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1905. [2044]

TO LET.

A FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE, at No. 5, Rose Terrace, Robinson Road, Kowloon. Possession from the 15th December.

Apply to—
THE COMPRADORE,
Messrs. BARRITTO & Co.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2301]

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 3, NEW PRAYA Kennedy Town.
Apply to—
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 28th June, 1905. [1539]

TO LET.

HOUSES in AUSTIN AVENUE, Kowloon. Moderate rentals.

Apply to—
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 12th October, 1905. [2385]

TO LET.

TWO ROOMS on the Ground Floor of the annex, from 1st September next, suitable for Offices. For particulars apply to the undersigned.

C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1905. [1350]

TO LET.

NO. 3, GRANVILLE AVENUE, KOWLOON. Electric light. Immediate possession.

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HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 20th June, 1905. [1447]

TO LET.

TWO NEW EUROPEAN HOUSES, next but one to "Glencoe," Macdonnell Road, each containing 7 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with a well laid out Lawn. Full View of Harbour.

Apply to—
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Hongkong, 4th December, 1905. [2725]

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2660]

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THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. 13

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1904
£17,161,299.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £3,000,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 2,750,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL, 887,500 0 0
II. FUND FUNDS, 3,901,266 12 9

The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHAW, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. (1567)

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO.

OF AIX-LE-CHAPPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 181

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Wm. PARLANE, Manager.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. 155

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PLATED GLASS AND CROCKERY
WARE, &c., &c. and POCHOW
LACQUERED WARE.
68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [2355]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTTONJEE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

H. K. C. C. V. NAVAL TEAM.
This match was played on the Hongkong Club Ground on Saturday, and resulted in a win for the Club by one wicket and 107 runs. The scores are as under:—

1st innings.		2nd innings.	
Rev. Hastings, b. Morrell	6	Turner, b. Mackay	22
Middleman, Combs, b. Bird	0	not out	1
Middleman, Ling, b. Morrell	3		
Lieut. Hutchings, c. Bird	24		
Lieut. Lewis, b. Morrell	8	not out	1
Paymaster Woodward, b. Morrell	16	Daniel, b. Mackay	24
Eng. Lieut. Hastings, c. Morrell, b. Bird	0		
Rev. Walters, c. Ponsonby, b. Bird	0		
Mr. Medd, b. Morrell	0		
Middleman, Knox-Little, c. Bird	1		
Eng. Lieut. Westbrook, not out	1		
Extras	1	Extras	1
Total	61	Total	49

H. K. C. C.		H. K. C. C.	
T. Sercombe, Smith, c. Combs, b. Lewis	31		
C. H. Mackay, run out	5		
W. C. D. Turner, b. Hutchings	19		
W. Daniel, b. Hutchings	8		
L. P. O. Bird, c. Combs, b. Hastings	15		
A. Mackenzie, b. Woodward	10		
R. B. Ponsonby, not out	30		
H. G. O. Bailey, c. D. Woodward	9		
G. E. Morrell, at Hastings, b. Lewis	25		
N. H. Rutherford, c. Ling, b. Lewis	13		
W. W. Ross, did not bat.			
Extras	15		
Total	171		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st innings.		2nd innings.	
R. E. O. Bird	9 1 36 3	O. M. R. W.	
Morrell	5 1 23 6		
T. S. Smith		7 1 17	
C. W. P. Turner		3 1 11	
Mackay		4 1 20	

A. NAVAL TEAM.
This match ended in a win for the Artillery by four wickets and 59 runs. Scores:—

H. K. C. C. "A" V. R. G. A.		H. K. C. C. "A"	
F. A. Fowler, b. Longbottom	0		
P. Jacks, run out	6		
W. E. Daniel, b. Longbottom	1		
C. H. Fullon, c. Clarke, b. Kerrick	7		
C. B. Higgin, b. Shaw	22		
G. Hooper, c. Connell, b. Longbottom	2		
F. H. Kew, absent			
O. K. O'Ri, b. Shaw	6		
C. Scott, not out	6		
C. C. Gosselin, b. Kerrick	0		
A. S. Cullen, b. Kerrick	0		
Extras	1		
Total	50		

B. G. A.

Mr. Oliver, b. Scott 0 | | |

L. L. Lucy, b. Fowler 48 | | |

L. E. Joyce, b. Fowler 4 | | |

L. L. Larmour, b. Fowler 13 | | |

Sgt. Edwards, c. Jack, b. Daniel 2 | | |

Sgt. Longbottom, c. Jack, b. Daniel 12 | | |

Mr. Kerrick, c. b. Daniel 12 | | |

G. M. S. Clarke 1 | | |

Mr. Snow — | | |

Mr. O'Connell, not out 4 | | |

Gr. Crump — | | |

Extras 15 | | |

Total 106 | | |

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

B. G. A.

Longbottom 0 3 17 3 | | |

Crump 4 1 11 3 | | |

Kerrick 6 1 15 3 | | |

Shaw 1 1 7 2 | | |

H. K. C. C. "A"

Fowler 38 3 3 | | |

Scott 21 1 1 | | |

Daniel 3 3 3 | | |

Extras — | | |

Total 45 | | |

CIVIL SERVICE C. C. "A" TEAM V. PARSONS C. C.

This friendly match was played on the ground of the Parsons Club on Saturday, and ended in a victory for the Parsons by 45 runs. For the winners Kanga and Nalladaroo bowled well, and Vassania, Nalladaroo, and Bezonjee batted well. For the losers Hoggarth and Badcock did the best with the bat, and Hoggarth and Hurlow were the most successful bowlers. The Scores are:—

CIVIL SERVICE "A" TEAM.		PARSONS C. C.	
H. Coombes, b. Nalladaroo	2		
W. Cooper, c. Bezonjee, b. Nalladaroo	3		
G. Badcock, b. Kanga	10		
S. Rowarth, c. Vassania, b. Kanga	0		
F. Allen, c. Polshwalla, b. Nalladaroo	0		
G. Hoggarth, b. Kanga	17		
A. Hurlow, b. Kanga	1		
E. W. Dawson, c. Kanga, b. Nalladaroo	1		
W. J. Goss, b. Kanga	1		
Adlington, not out	3		
J. Brown, b. Nalladaroo	2		
Extras	3		
Total	45		

PARSONS C. C.

Dr. Polshwalla, c. Dawson, b. Hoggarth 4 | | |

J. A. Chaney, b. Hoggarth 2 | | |

Dr. N. F. Nalladaroo, not out 27 | | |

P. J. Kanga, b. Hurlow 3 | | |

C. Mowdwalla, b. Hoggarth 0 | | |

J. Mella, c. Coombes, b. Hoggarth 1 | | |

S. Badwalla, c. Cooper, b. Hurlow 1 | | |

R. A. Sarapowalla, b. Hoggarth 4 | | |

J. Bezonjee, c. b. Cooper 23 | | |

S. C. Karaga, did not bat. | | |

Extras — | | |

Total for 9 wickets 90 | | |

CRICKETERS V. ARMY STAFF.

This match was played on the Craigengower ground at Happy Valley on Saturday, the result being a win for the Army Staff by six runs. Scores are:—

ARMY STAFF.		CRICKETERS.	
S. S. Wilson, b. Postonji	11		
Capt. Harvey, c. Ross, b. Postonji	2		
Sgt. May Webb, c. Cooper, b. Ford	0		
Lt. Doran, c. Fairholm, b. Ford	4		
Sgt. Woodruffe, c. Fairholm, b. Brown	20		
Capt. Steele, c. Ross, b. Ford	16		
Lt. Frost, not out	7		
Total	50		

CRICKETERS.

Capt. Harvey, c. Ross, b. Postonji 2 | | |

Sgt. May Webb, c. Cooper, b. Ford 0 | | |

Lt. Doran, c. Fairholm, b. Ford 4 | | |

Sgt. Woodruffe, c. Fairholm, b. Brown 20 | | |

Capt. Steele, c. Ross, b. Ford 16 | | |

Lt. Frost, not out 7 | | |

Total 50 | | |

CHATELAIN.		CHATELAIN.	
Cp. Le Grove, b. Postonji	7		
Lather, c. Cooper, b. Postonji	0		
Griffiths, b. Postonji	0		
Cpl. Bradford, b. Brown	4		
Extras	4		
Total	72		

CHATELAIN.

J. W. Stewart, c. Griffiths, b. Bradford | 1 | | || A. C. Brown, c. Webb, b. Doran | 21 | | |
J. Fairholm, c. Woodruffe, b. Bradford	0		
R. Ross, c. Webb, b. Steele	7		
L. A. Ross, c. Steele, b. Harvey	10		
L. E. Lamont, b. Bradford	11		
D. K. Kellin, c. Doran, b. Harvey	4		
R. B. Cooper, b. Bradford	1		
R. Postonji, c. Steele, b. Harvey	0		
E. S. Ford, not out	8		
E. K. Ross, b. Bradford	0		
Extras	3		
Total	66		

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg and Co. in their weekly share list of the 17th December, 1905, say:—Our market has remained in a very weak state during the week under review, and whatever small business has been done has almost invariably been done at lower rates. The tightness of the money market is being very keenly felt, and speculators are almost totally absent from the Bazaar. The Sterling demand rate on London is 2s. 9d., while rates on Shanghai are mere or less nominal. Bar silver in London is quoted 50s. 10d., and a few unimportant lots of Hongkong and Shanghai changed hands at \$87.50 to \$87.70, and at latter rate there are further sellers; the London rate is £92 10s. Nationals are unchanged.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions have been done at \$73 to \$72.50, closing with sellers at the lower figure. China Traders are offering at \$90. North China changed hands in the north at \$19.99, so we follow quotation. Canton has dropped to sellers at \$82.50, while Tangzeers are quiet at \$170.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Shares sold in small lots at \$25 to \$24, which latter is the nominal closing rate. Indo-China have ruled very weak, and only small sales could be effected at \$93 to \$91; the market closes very quiet at \$92. Shanghai quoting sellers at \$12.12, while the London quotation remains £10. China and Manila are on offer at \$20, while Douglas can be bought at \$35. Star Ferries are quiet with probable sellers at \$32 for old and \$23 for new shares. Shell Transports have sellers at 24s., which is also the London quotation. An interim dividend of 1s. per share on ordinary shares (coupon No. 6) has just been declared on account of 1905, and is payable in London on 1st January, 1906. Hongkong Steam Waterboats are on offer at \$15.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars, in spite of the good results of the present year, have fallen further, and down to \$20.65 have been accepted, and more shares are on offer. Lushan sold and have further sellers at \$3.5.

MINING SHARES.—Rauhs have been done and wanted at \$31.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Some business has been transacted in Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Shares, at rates ranging between \$163 and \$164, the market closing with further buyers at \$163, and sellers at \$164. Old Geo. Fenwick's fetched \$25, while the new issue is quoted \$24. New Army Dock Shares are unchanged. Panamas have dropped in Shanghai to \$12.12 sellers, but at \$12.12 buyers could be found. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Shares changed hands at \$108 and \$103, and at latter rate there are buyers. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf and Godown Company Shares are quoted \$12.12 in the north.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co's shares sold in a small way at \$125, but more shares are on offer. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$49. West Point's have sellers at \$35, and Hongkong Hotels at \$150. Humphreys sold at \$12, and Shanghai Lands at \$12.12.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have fallen in the north to \$15.57, Internationals are quoted \$14.40, and Laon Kung Mews \$15.00; Soeychees are nominal at \$14.25, and Hongkong Cottons have sellers at \$14.

SUNDAY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—Philippines sold and can be placed at \$5. China Light and Powers fetched \$9. Electricies are wanted at \$15 for old and \$14 for new issue. Green Island Cement Shares were being fired at \$28 and \$28, and have sellers at the higher figures. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—A few China Providents fetched \$93, but the market is quiet at that rate. Langkats are quoted \$15.202 sellers ex the dividend of \$1.74 per share paid yesterday. Watkins are on offer at \$6, while Watsons are wanted at \$12. Other stocks under this heading unchanged.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SAINT BEDE"	On 2nd January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 8th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 16th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OUPACK"	On 23rd January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGHOW"	On 24th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 30th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 6th February.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 13th February.	

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DUE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HECTOR"	On 19th December.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS"	On 20th December.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TYDEUS"	On 2nd January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 16th January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 20th January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 30th January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 13th February.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PATROCLUS"	On 20th February.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR"	On 27th February.	

HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DUE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HECTOR"	On 19th December.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS"	On 20th December.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TYDEUS"	On 2nd January.	
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NASAKI, KOBE and YOKO.	"NINGHOW"	On 24th January.	
HAMA	"TYDEUS"	On 26th January.	
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA & PACIFIC COAST	"PINGUEY"	On 26th January.	

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1905.

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SHANGHAI	"KWANGSE"	On 19th December.	
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 19th December.	
YOKOHAMA	"HAOTING"	On 21st December.	
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK-TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 27th December.	
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 28th December.	

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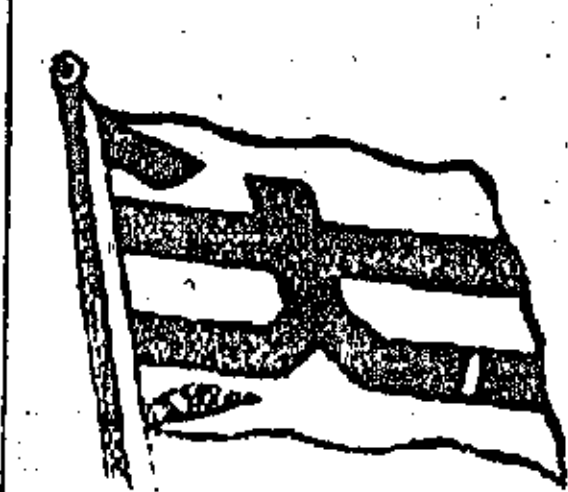
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TJILATJAP	JAPAN	First half of December	JAVA PORTS	First half of December
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DONGOLA	8000	Mar. 10	MONGOLIA	10000	Apr. 13
DELTA	8000	Mar. 24	MOULTAN	10000	Apr. 27
OCEANA	7000	April 7	MAR-ORA	10500	May 11
				Sunday	Saturday
ARCADIA	7000	April 21	VICTORIA	7000	May 26
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DONGOLA	8000	May 19	INDIA	8000	June 23

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PRINZ HEINRICH	20th December 1905
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 3rd January
GRISENAU	WEDNESDAY 17th January
ROON	WEDNESDAY 31st January
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 14th February
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 28th February
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 14th March
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 23rd May
ROON	WEDNESDAY 6th June
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 20th June
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 4th July
ALDENBURG	WEDNESDAY 18th July
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 1st August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 15th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 29th August

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The *Gazette*, with the German mail of the 21st November left Singapore on Friday the 15th inst. at 1.30 p.m. and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 19th inst. at 6 p.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMOUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m.

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MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Chingkiang	Clara J. Sen	Monday, 18th, 1.00 p.m.
Macao	Hewingshan	Monday, 18th, 1.15 p.m.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Brigand	Monday, 18th, 4.00 p.m.
Yokohama and Kobe	Prinz Waldemar	Tuesday, 19th, 11.00 a.m.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle	Minnesota	Tuesday, 19th, 11.00 a.m.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland	Arconia	Tuesday, 19th, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Hewingshan	Tuesday, 19th, 1.15 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Gregory Avar	Tuesday, 19th, 2.00 p.m.
Ehazul	Kronos	Tuesday, 19th, 3.00 p.m.
Manila	Tan	Tuesday, 19th, 3.00 p.m.

Europe, &c., India via Tutuorin. (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.) Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.

FOR	PER	DATE
Macao	Hewingshan	Wednesday, 20th, 1.15 p.m.
Shanghai	Hewingshan	Wednesday, 20th, 2.00 p.m.
Shanghai	Lomoon	Wednesday, 20th, 3.00 p.m.
Shanghai	Scandia	Wednesday, 20th, 5.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Tijanus	Thursday, 21st, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Hewingshan	Thursday, 21st, 1.15 p.m.
Shanghai	Scandia	Thursday, 21st, 3.00 p.m.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Victoria B.C. & Tacoma	Lyna	Friday, 22nd, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Hewingshan	Friday, 22nd, 1.15 p.m.
Yokohama and Kobe	Chingkiang	Friday, 22nd, 3.00 p.m.
Manila	Yankee	Friday, 22nd, 3.00 p.m.
Manila	Rubi	Saturday, 23rd, 11.00 a.m.

TO-DAY. Sale, Papers, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lamert, 11 a.m.

TO-MORROW. Sale, Stores, H.M. Naval Yard, Messrs. Hughes & Rough, 10 a.m.

The Zorrilla Musical Comedy Co., City Hall, 9 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.	16th December.
Telegraphic Transfer	2.04
Bank Bills, on demand	2.04
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2.04
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	2.04
Credits, at 4 months sight	2.04
Documentary Bills, 4 months sight	2.04
ON PARIS.	16th December.
Bank Bills, on demand	258
Credits, at 4 months sight	258
ON GERMANY.	16th December.
On demand	210
ON NEW YORK.	16th December.
Bank Bills, on demand	50
Credits, 60 days sight	51
ON HONGKONG.	16th December.
Telegraphic Transfer	155
Bank, on demand	155
ON CALCUTTA.	16th December.
Telegraphic Transfer	155
Bank, on demand	155
ON SHANGHAI.	16th December.
Bank, at sight	71
Private, 30 days sight	72
ON YOKOHAMA.	16th December.
On demand	101
ON MANILA.	16th December.
On demand	101
ON SINGAPORE.	16th December.
On demand	101
ON BATAVIA.	16th December.
On demand	101
ON HAIKONG.	16th December.
On demand	101
ON BANGKOK.	16th December.
On demand	101
GOVERNMENT.	16th December.
BANK OF CHINA, 100 lbs. per ton	51.50
BANK SILVER, per oz.	20.5

OPIUM.

Quotations are:	16th December.
Malwa New	£1030 to
Malwa Old	£1060 to
Malwa Older	£1110 to
Malwa V. Old	£1180 to
Pondicherry quality	£1150 to
Pondicherry extra fine	£1200 to
Panna New	£1060 to
Panna Old	£945 to
Bombay New	£945 to
Bombay Old	£940 to

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.	16th December.
The I.G.M. str. <i>Prinz Heinrich</i> left Shanghai on Saturday at 11 a.m. and may be expected here this evening at 5 p.m.	
The I.G.M. str. <i>Gneissau</i> left Singapore on Friday at 1 a.m. and may be expected here tomorrow at 6 p.m.	
THE AMERICAN MAIL.	16th December.
The P.M. str. <i>Mongolia</i> sailed from Yokohama on the 8th Dec. and is due here on the 19th Dec.	
The P.M. str. <i>China</i> will leave Yokohama for Hongkong via Manila on the 15th Dec. and is due here on the 27th Dec.	
THE CANADIAN MAIL.	16th December.
The C.P.R. str. <i>Empress of China</i> arrived at Nagsaki at 8 a.m. on Thursday, the 14th Dec. and left again at 3 p.m. same day for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 2 a.m. to-day.	
MERCHANT STEAMERS.	16th December.
The C.N. str. <i>Chingfu</i> from Australian ports, left Port Darwin on the 8th Dec. and is due here to-day at daylight.	
The L.C. str. <i>Tijanus</i> left Macassar for this port on the 16th Dec. and may be expected here on the 18th Dec.	
The str. <i>C. Avar</i> from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 15th Dec. at noon, and is due here to-day.	
The str. <i>Rubi</i> left Manila on Saturday, the 16th Dec. at 11 a.m. and is due here to-day at 4 p.m.	
The A.L. str. <i>China</i> left Singapore for this port on the 12th Dec. p.m. and is due here tomorrow.	

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 18th December.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	\$200	\$100, buyers
Banks—		
Hongkong & S'hai.	\$125	\$570, sellers
National B. of China	45	\$38, buyers
Shanghai & S'hai	125	\$8, sellers
China Borneo Co.	12	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	10	\$9, sellers
China Provident	10	\$9.
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	15	\$5.
Hongkong	15	\$11, buyers
International	15	\$11, buyers
Loan Kung Mow	15	\$11, buyers
Soyabean	15	\$11, buyers
Dairy Farm	15	\$11, buyers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farmham, B. & Co.	15	\$127.
H. & K. Wharf & Co.	15	\$108, buyers
H. & W. Dock	15	\$103.
New Amoy Dock	15	\$17.
S'hai & H. Wharf	15	\$120.
Farwick & Co. Geo.	15	\$25, buyers
G. Island Cement	15	\$24.
Hongkong & S'hai	15	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Electric	15	\$10, buyers
Do. New	15	\$14, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	15	\$10.
Hongkong Hotel Co.	15	\$10, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co.	15	\$25.
Hongkong Ropes Co.	15	\$25.
H'kong S. Waterboat	15	\$10, sellers
Insurance—		
Canton	15	\$25, sellers
China Fire	15	\$25, sellers
China Trade	15	\$25, sellers
Hongkong & S'hai	15	\$25, sellers
North China	15	\$25, sellers
Union	15	\$25, sellers
Yankee	15	\$25.
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	15	\$125, sellers
Humphrey's Estate	15	\$12.
Kwong Land & B.	15	\$10, buyers
Shanghai Land	15	\$11, buyers
West Point Building	15	\$55, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	15	\$250.
Rauba	15	\$10, buyers
Philippine Co.	15	\$10, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	15	\$205, sellers
Luzon Sugar	15	\$25, sellers
Steamship Companies—		
China and Malacca	15	\$25, sellers
Douglas Steamship	15	\$25, buyers
H. Canton & M.	15	\$24, buyers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	15	\$22, sellers
Shell Transport Co.	15	\$24.
Do. Preference	15	\$24.
Star Ferry	15	\$22, sellers
Shanghai & S'hai	15	\$22, sellers
South China M. Post.	15	\$22, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	15	\$22, sellers
Do.	15	\$22, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries	15	\$22, sellers
Campbell, M. & Co.	15	\$22, sellers
Powell & Co. Wm.	15	\$22, sellers
Watkins	15	\$22, sellers
Watson & Co. A.S.	15	\$22, sellers
United Asbestos	15	\$22, sellers
Do. Foundries	15	\$22, sellers

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THE undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan Hongkong, 4th August, 1905.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"IDOMENEUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 15th December.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 a.m., on the 15th December.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th December will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 15th December, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [9-10]

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"AMBRIA"

Captain Wünnenberg, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th December a.c. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th December, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2086]

S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Guadalupe* from Havre ex s.s. *Guadalupe*, from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Cambray*, in connection with above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice is received from the Consignees before noon To-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after Tuesday, the 19th inst. at noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 19th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages must be examined on Tuesday, the 19th inst. at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"STENTOR"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases, it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 16th inst.

Optional Cargo will be landed unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 a.m. on the 20th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 23rd inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1905. [9-10]

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO & WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD. AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," 2,363 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.

S.S. "POWAN," 2,338 tons, Captain G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.

S.S. "FATSHAN," 2,250 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.

S.S. "HANKOW," 3,073 tons, Captain C. V. Lloyd.

S.S. "KINSHAN," 1,995 tons, Captain J. J. Lossus.

Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8.30 a.m. (Sunday excepted), 9 p.m. and 10.30 p.m. (Saturday excepted).

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Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week-days at 2 p.m. Departures on Sundays at Noon.

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CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.

This Steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 a.m. and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7.30 a.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD. AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 tons, Captain W. A. Valentia.

S.S. "NANNING," 588 tons, Captain C. Butchart.

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